

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

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June 17, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: John H. Holdridge *JH*

SUBJECT: Actions on Cambodia

The report for the President of actions on Cambodia through 6:00 p. m. June 16 is enclosed. The reports submitted by State, Defense, and CIA are at Tabs for your information.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you forward the report at Tab A to the President.

Enclosures

NSA, DIA, DOS,  
OSD, JCS, NSS  
reviews completed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

SUBJECT: Actions on Cambodia

The following is a report on actions taken or underway on Cambodia through 6:00 p.m. last night.

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Operations: Kompong Speu was re-occupied by two ARVN battalions and a cavalry squadron, with three FANK battalions. FANK Military Region 2 has been re-established in town, and Route 4 to Kompong Som re-opened. The ARVN is engaged in combat at Prey Veng.

Foreign Aid: Plans now call for the deployment of the two new Khmer Krom battalions directly to the defense of Phnom Penh.

-- Indonesian General Sumitro plans to visit Washington June 22 to discuss U. S. replenishment of Indonesian arms deliveries to Cambodia, plus the Indonesian MAP program itself.

-- The State summary (tabbed) sets forth the conditions under which we would help support Thai units in Western Cambodia.

Diplomatic: The French report that Sihanouk told them that Pham Van Dong had promised that Angkor Wat would not be touched (thus incidentally underscoring who is in charge). He was vaguely favorable to the idea of a UNESCO role.

Press Policy: The Communists released three of the captured correspondents.

-- State has developed a press line which makes no secret of the expansion of the Phnom Penh Embassy, but plays it down as a normal development in light of the expansion of contacts and notes that it remains one of our smaller Asian Embassies.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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June 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Daily Report on Cambodia No. 52

Military and Economic Assistance

1. Thai Troop Deployment. Ambassador Unger June 15 raised a number of questions which might arise during detailed discussions with RTG on RTG military assistance to Cambodia. We replied we would attempt to answer over the next few days as many questions as possible. In general, we wanted to take as forthcoming an attitude as we could with the Thai. In addition, a number of purely technical questions, including availability of equipment, should be resolved in discussions with COMUSMACTHAI. We could support an additional 500 Thai troops for a total of 4,500, but there was a difference between two regiments of infantry totaling that number and an RCT which might presuppose artillery and other equipment. Time of deployment should be roughly from June 30 until Thai Khmer regiment could be deployed. We were looking into the possibilities of assuring the Thai supplies funded through Cambodian MAP could be receipted for directly by Thai although this might require attaching a FANK officer to Thai. There was no real problem in shipping supplies to western Cambodia via Thai ports especially if Thai could be persuaded to undertake charge to Cambodian MAP. Deployment would be overt in all respects. We would expect to assume training costs at the time when costs for training aids, additional buildings or use of U. S. advisors in Thailand were actually incurred. This would not include allowances, salaries or subsistence for Thai. No subsistence payments or pay and allowance bonuses would be paid in Thailand during training or in Cambodia after deployment. We had envisaged use of Cambodian MAP to provide for resupply of ammunition and equipment lost in combat in Cambodia. We hoped Thai could be persuaded to handle costs incurred in Thailand for logistic combat and air support for forces supporting deployed Thai forces. USAF close support would not be available. We were willing to consent to the use of MASF-supplied aircraft in support of Thai deployed forces. Trade-offs or add-ons could not be offered through MASF FY 71 to Thailand. We were willing to consider a number of future projects which we and Thailand might jointly inaugurate which might best meet criteria.

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2. Indonesian Aid. General Sumitro is now expected in Washington June 22 rather than June 30.

3. Australian Aid. GOA is not prepared for GOC mission now expected to arrive in Canberra enroute to ASPAC meeting in Wellington. GOA had expected visit in early July and was developing position for cabinet approval.

Diplomatic

1. French View on Sihanouk Line. Jean Sainteny (former French delegate general in Hanoi) said at a dinner for General Wheeler in Paris June 14 that Sihanouk's roving representative Chau Seng was now peddling a new line. This was to the effect that Sihanouk had made no commitments to Peking and Hanoi and was ready to return to a completely neutral stance. Chau Seng sought to leave the impression that Sihanouk's attitude toward the communists was negative as a result of his recent experiences. In response to the DCM's skeptical reaction, Sainteny said he was not sure what it all meant but he thought the existence of a new line was interesting.

2. 3 Nation Group. The Japanese Foreign Office has told Embassy Tokyo that U Thant was receptive to the approach by the Djakarta 3. He told them Moscow had passed his 15 nation conference proposal to Hanoi. Hanoi consulted with ChiComs who vetoes participation.

Internal

1. Concern Over Security of Phnom Penh. Rumors continue that VC/NVA plan to take some sort of action against Phnom Penh on June 18, the 3 month anniversary of the dismissal of Sihanouk. The airfield, radio station and electric power plant are considered to be the main targets. A meeting of the Supreme National Defense Council scheduled for June 16 was to take up the question of an immediate general mobilization to replace the present partial mobilization. Additional security measures are being taken to protect critical installations.

2. French Rubber Plantations. Guillaume Georges-Picot and Gaston Rueff called on Ambassador Watson June 15 to discuss French rubber plantations. Their presentation was mainly a rather formless and internally inconsistent lament over the situation of plantations in eastern Cambodia. Georges-Picot did suggest that the U.S. might pay an indemnity to GOC (and in turn to French plantation owners) in response

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to 1969 defoliation. He knew getting money out of the Congress for Cambodia might be difficult right now but it would be helpful if the U. S. could at least send out a team for the 1970 follow up recommended in the 1969 experts' report to ascertain the extent of permanent damage to plantations.

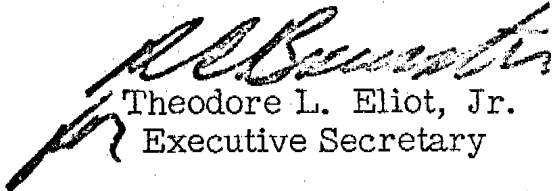
3. Sihanouk and Historic Monuments. The French Embassy tells us that Sihanouk told their Ambassador in Peking he had received assurances from Pham Van Dong that Angkor would not be touched. NVN pledged "to neutralize" important sites and to shelter them from the war. Sihanouk indicated a UNESCO role in protecting Cambodian cultural monuments but was not very precise concerning the nature of this role nor whether NVN had indicated acceptance of the principle of UNESCO's involvement. We have asked Embassy Paris to keep us informed of whatever it may hear about French initiatives in connection with the June 17 UNESCO meeting which will discuss this matter.

4. Three Journalists Released. Saigon reports that Elizabeth Pond of Christian Science Monitor, Richard Dudman of St. Louis Post Dispatch, and Michael Morrow of Dispatch, Inc. were released June 16 on Route 1 in Cambodia. They hitchhiked back to Saigon. Preliminary reports indicate they are tired but in good health.

5. Codel Cowger Meets Students. During a meeting with university students and faculty members, Congressman Cowger was told that groups represented by these people were one hundred percent behind the Lon Nol government. Asked about the peasants the students said that they were beginning to realize Sihanouk had asked VC/NVA to help and that he was losing what generally passive support he had had previously. The group was emphatic that Sihanouk would not be accepted again by educated people. They made it quite clear they wanted and needed training and that they would like to have U. S. or Australian advisors. They made an impassioned statement to the effect that Cambodia "did not go to war, war came to us."

### Press Briefing

Department Spokesman's Comments. On June 16 the press spokesman said in reply to questions that he had no information on GRC or ROK aid to Cambodia. Asked for details on Thai troop movements to Cambodia and on what costs the U. S. would pay, he gave a non-committal answer saying arrangements would have to be worked out between Cambodia and Thailand.

  
Theodore L. Eliot, Jr.  
Executive Secretary

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THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

16 June 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

I have reviewed the attached report and have concluded that the intelligence information is not up-to-date. I am looking into ways to make this aspect of the report more timely. I understand from Admiral Moorer that he has briefed Dr. Kissinger on the current status of activity in Kompong Speu.

*David Packard*

Attachment

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16 June 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Daily Status - Cambodia (U)

1. The Special Assistant to the President in a memorandum of 25 April 1970, requested that a daily report be provided on the status of actions related to the situation in Cambodia.

2. The attached report covers the 24-hour period ending 1600, EDT 16 June 1970. It contains sensitive information and is supplemented by statistics extracted from the "Special Report on Cambodia," and by the attached report, "Air Operations in Cambodia," both published by the National Military Command Center. A special DIA report (code word) is attached.

For the Chairman, JCS:

*John B. McPherson* Col USAF  
JOHN B. McPHERSON  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
Assistant to the Chairman

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161600 EDT Jun 1970

A. MILITARY OPERATIONS

## 1. US Support to RVNAF

a. Ground. The following artillery support (all calibers) was provided in Cambodia during this period:

Toan Thang 42 (BA 367/706)	22 rds
Toan Thang 43 (BA 352/353)	430 rds
Toan Thang 45 (BA 351)	0 rds
Toan Thang 46 (BA 350)	0 rds
Cuu Long I (Riverine, BA 704/709)	0 rds
Cuu Long III (BA 704)	0 rds
Binh Tay III (BA 740)	0 rds

b. Air

(1) The following tactical air sorties were provided in Cambodia:

	<u>This Period</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
Toan Thang 42	0	104
Toan Thang 43	36	1,650
Toan Thang 45 & 46	18	539
Cuu Long I	0	0
Cuu Long III	0	0
Binh Tay III	0	265

(2) The following ARC LIGHT sorties were provided in Cambodia:

	<u>This Period</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
Toan Thang 42	0	0
Toan Thang 43	6	321
Toan Thang 45	0	94
Toan Thang 46	6	129
Cuu Long I	0	0
Cuu Long III	0	0
Binh Tay III	0	23

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c. Sea. The surveillance group off the port of Kompong Som (Sihanoukville) reported the following:

(1) French ship GODAVERY detected entering at 151645 EDT. Enroute from Saigon. Cargo: rubber, jute, and timber.

(2) Greek ship LELAPS detected entering at 151700 EDT. Enroute from Manila. In ballast.

2. CAMBODIAN (KHMER KROM):

a. Troops in Cambodia: 1,787

b. Total Supply of Special Items: 197,072 pounds

B. MILITARY ASSISTANCE

On 13 June 1970, a message from COMUSMACV was distributed to the White House and the Secretary of Defense which summarized in detail all the military equipment provided to Cambodia. A listing of additional equipment will be included in this report as received from COMUSMACV.

C. PRESS POLICY

1. No major public affairs problems to report.

2. On behalf of Secretary Laird, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs Daniel Z. Henkin, issued at this morning's news conference a statement expressing our pleasure over the release of three captured newsmen. He also expressed the hope that there would be additional efforts towards the release of other civilian and military personnel being held as POWs.

D. CUMULATIVE TONNAGES

Cumulative tonnages of captured enemy material as of 160400 EDT:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Tonnages</u>
Food	6,607
Weapons	161
Ammunition	<u>1,604</u>
GRAND TOTAL	8,372

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Date as of 160400 EDT

<u>Base Area</u>	<u>Date Opn Started (EDT)</u>	<u>Max. No. US Involved in Cambodia This Opn</u>	<u>No. US Involved in Cambodia This Opn Now</u>	<u>Date 1st US Units/ Pers Out</u>	<u>Date All US To Be Out</u>	<u>Actual or Planned Termination Date</u>
367/706 (TT 42)	28 Apr	930	210	12 May	NLT 30 Jun	*20 May 70
352/353 (TT 43)	30 Apr	10,700	4,200	9 May	NLT 30 Jun	29 Jun 70
354 (TT 44)	5 May	2,300	0	8 May	14 May (Opn terminated)	14 May 70
351 (TT 45)	5 May	6,200	5,800	23 May	NLT 30 Jun	30 Jun 70
350 (TT 46)	5 May	19	13	15 May	NLT 30 Jun	*12 May 70
702 (Binh Tay I)	4 May	3,869	0	13 May	24 May (Opn terminated)	24 May 70
701 (Binh Tay II)	13 May	83	0	26 May	27 May (Opn terminated)	27 May 70
740 (Binh Tay III)	19 May	71	0	**12 Jun	NLT 30 Jun	**12 Jun 70
704/709 (Cuu Long I)	8 May	2,313	321	13 May	NLT 30 Jun	30 Jun 70
704 (Cuu Long II)	16 May	86	0	22 May	24 May (Opn terminated)	24 May 70
704 (Cuu Long III)	24 May	59	25	28 May	NLT 30 Jun	30 Jun 70

\* Date based on planned operation. Termination date subject to prevailir tactical situation.

\*\* Phase I of Binh Tay III terminated. Planning for Phase II is continuin

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A. LEVEL OF EFFORT (Personnel)

In Cambodia: RVNAF 23,358 In RVN: RVNAF 9,344  
 US 10,569 US 15,757

B. CUMULATIVE RESULTS (As of: 160400 EDT Jun 70 ) Cumulative totals shown include previously unreported adjustments.

	PARROT'S BEAK (BA 706/367)	FISH HOOK (BA 352)	BINH TAY III (BA 740)	GIONG TO (BA 351)	HAC MA (BA 350)	CUU LONG I (BA 704/709)	CUU LONG III (BA 704)	** TERMINATED OPERATIONS	GRAND TOTAL
Enemy KIA	2,568	2,455	137	1,022	58	1,333	#302	2,430	#10,305
Enemy PW/DET	1,138	283	3	50	9	177	201	346	2,207
ARVN KIA	253	104	24	0	17	124	30	126	678
ARVN WIA	1,052	659	65	0	100	442	145	583	3,046
US KIA	9	111	0	108	0	6	0	56	290
US WIA	65	695	7	284	0	4	1	249	1,305
Individual Wpns Captured	1,831	4,662	586	2,455	318	2,705	4,083	3,395	20,335
Crew-Sarved Wpns Captured	467	721	133	360	31	155	60	441	2,368
*Rice (Tons)	867	2,908	411	1,227	68	38	17	926	6,462
Rice (Man/Months)	38,148	127,952	18,084	53,988	2,992	1,672	748	40,744	284,328
Bunkers/Structures	852	5,814	316	583	176	0	0	2,384	10,125
Vehicles	25	236	22	99	2	8	0	6	398
Boats	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	40	90
Radios	52	137	8	0	0	2	1	38	238

\*1 ton of rice will feed 1,333 NVA/VC for 1 day (1.5 lbs/Man/Day).

\*\*Operation ROCK CRUSHER IV, TIA CHOP (BS 354), BINH TAY I (BA 702), BINH TAY II (BA 701), CUU LONG II (BA 704).

\*This amount is lower than previously reported and denotes field adjustment.

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C. AMMUNITION BY TYPE Cumulative totals shown include previously unreported adjustments.

	PARROT'S BEAK (BA 706/367)	FISH HOOK (BA 352)	BINH TAY III (BA 740)	GIONG TO (BA 351)	HAC MA (BA 350)	CUU LONG I (BA 704/709)	CUU LONG III (BA 704)	** TERMINATED OPERATIONS	GRAND TOTAL
*Small-Arms Ammunition	3,218,150	3,748,666	2,400	5,625,755	17,800	25,000	340,000	313,422	13,291,193
Rifle Rds (less than .50 cal.)	2,117,200	3,357,142	2,400	3,218,330	17,800	15,000	340,000	239,111	9,306,983
Machinegun Rds (.50 cal or larger)	1,100,950	391,524	0	2,407,425	0	10,000	0	74,311	3,984,310
Grenades	11,642	4,661	13	33,913	412	502	34	1,778	52,955
Antiaircraft Rds	0	25,352	0	140,104	0	0	697	0	166,153
Mortar Rds	28,954	7,527	10	13,157	2,222	730	1,784	8,248	62,612
Rocket Rds (107-mm and larger)	152	695	3	695	0	0	19	370	1,934
Rocket Rds (B-40/B-41)	16,598	6,939	0	8,711	592	617	0	5,711	39,168
Recoilless-Rifle Rds	2,932	10,223	0	10,961	1,090	4	207	1,978	27,395
Mines	1,208	2,014	0	770	144	150	19	925	5,230
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\* Figures are the sum of rifle rounds and machinegun rounds.

\*\* Operation ROCK CRUSHER IV, TIA CHOP (BA 354), BINH TAY I (BA 702), BINH TAY II (BA 701), CUU LONG II (BA 704).

## Tons of ammunition - no breakdown reported.

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**THE NATIONAL MILITARY COMMAND CENTER**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

16 June 1970  
1436 EDT


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Air Operations in Cambodia

The attached information on Cambodia Air Operations for the period 141201 to 151200 EDT June 1970 is provided.

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Brigadier General, USA  
Deputy Director for  
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AIR OPERATIONS

Following is a summary of TACTICAL AIR and ARC LIGHT operations in Cambodia for the period 141201 to 151200 EDT June 1970:

US/VNAF

ZONE		H	J	K	L	M	U	V	W	DAILY	CUM
										TOTAL	TOTAL
	RECCE	8	9	13	7	1	0	4	1	43	1,662
<u>TACTICAL</u>	INTER-DICTION	6	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	24	368
	CAS	5	33	33	45	8	0	0	4	128	6,800
* <u>B-52 (ARC LIGHT)</u>		0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	702

RESULTS (BDA)	DESTROYED				DAMAGED			
	DAILY		CUMULATIVE		DAILY		CUMULATIVE	
	CAS	INTER	CAS	INTER	CAS	INTER	CAS	INTER
STRUCTURES	248	2	8,182	85	78	0	1,426	21
WBL CRAFT	0	2	95	27	0	0	18	10
GUNS	13	0	147	1	2	0	10	1
TRUCKS	0	3	25	12	0	0	89	1
ROAD/TRAILS	0	0	0	0	1	0	55	5
CAVES/TUNNELS	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	12
STORAGE AREAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	DAILY		CUMULATIVE	
	CAS	INTER	CAS	INTER
TROOPS KBA	0	0	1,456	0
SECONDARY FIRES	2	1	208	15
EXPLOSIONS	8	3	284	16

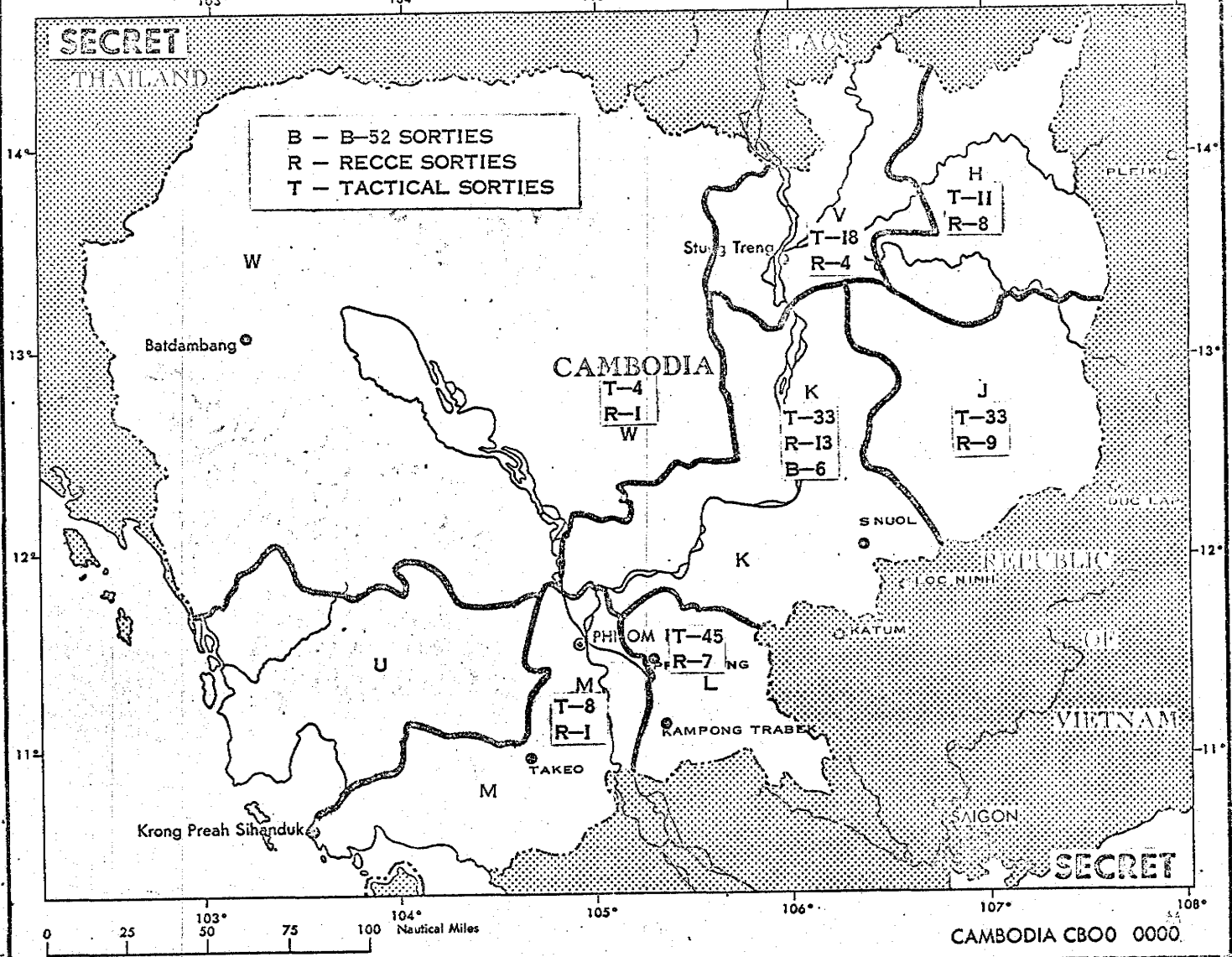
"CAS" = Close Air Support

\*Bomb Damage Assessment (BDA) is not included in this report.

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